WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1. A composition, comprising:
- (i) isolated DNA molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1, where Xaa is isoleucine or threonine; and
- (ii) a carrier capable of introducing the isolated DNA molecule into a mammalian cell, wherein said nucleotide sequence is of a fragment of human genomic DNA.
- 2. The composition of claim 1, wherein the nucleotide sequence comprises an exon having the nucleotide sequence shown in SEQ ID NO:3, 4, 5, 6, or 7.
- 3. The composition of claim 1, wherein the nucleotide sequence comprises an intron having the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:8, 9, 10, 11, or 12.
- 4. The composition of claim 1, wherein the nucleotide sequence is of SEQ ID NO:13, 14 or 15.
- 5. The composition of claim 1, wherein the carrier is a virus or liposome.
- 6. The composition of claim 1, wherein the isolated DNA molecule is linked to a heterologous nucleotide sequence.
- 7. The composition of claim 6, wherein the heterologous sequence is of a virus vector.